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PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION FOR TREATMENT OF

DISEASES CAUSED BY IL-6 PRODUCTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 10, line 2, delete "any of claims 1 to 9" and insert --claim 1--.